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SUBJ: SAUDI DEMAND FOR ROK STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST

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1. YOU SHOULD INFORM ROKG THAT ISSUANCE OF FIVE-POINT STATEMENT ALONG LINES CONTAINED PARA 2 REFTEL WOULD BE UNHELPFUL TO CURRENT US DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN MIDDLE EAST. POINTS SAUDIS ARE ASKING ROK TO SUBSCRIBE TO WOULD AMOUNT TO UNBALANCED INTERPRETATION OF SC RESOLUTION 242 WHICH REMAINS BASIC FRAMEWORK FOR ARAB-ISRAEL SETTLEMENT. ISSUES OF WITHDRAWAL, RIGHTS OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, AND INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY WITHIN FULLY RECOGNIZED BOUNDARIES ARE AMONG THOSE THAT WILL HAVE TO BE THRASHED OUT
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DURING ANY ARAB-ISRAELI NEGOTIATIONS. THEREFORE, WE DO NOT SEE WHAT PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY ROKG AND OTHERS ALONG THE LINES ASKED FOR BY SAUDIS WILL ACCOMPLISH OTHER THAN HARDEN ISRAEL'S POSITION, MAKE ISRAELIS

LESS FLEXIBLE TO DEAL WITH, AND COMPLICATE TASK WHICH ONLY US CAN PLAY IN GETTING A NEGOTIATING PROCESS MOVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

2. IF, HOWEVER, ROKG FEELS THAT IT MUST MAKE A PUBLIC STATEMENT, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT STATEMENT ADHERE CLOSELY TO UNSC RESOLUTION 242 AND THAT IT SPECIFICALLY AVOID REFERENCE TO "IMMEDIATE" WITHDRAWAL FROM "ALL" TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN 1967 WAR OR TO "LEGAL" RIGHTS OF PALESTINIANS. LEGAL RIGHTS OF PALESTINIANS HAVE NEVER BEEN DEFINED NOR ARE THEY MENTIONED IN UN RESOLUTION 242. HOWEVER, THE TERM "LEGITIMATE INTERESTS OF PALESTINIANS" HAS BEEN USED IN RECOGNITION OF THE FACT THAT IN ANY SETTLEMENT IN MIDDLE EAST, THERE WILL NEED TO BE RESOLUTION OF REFUGEE PROBLEM. WE WOULD HOPE THAT PUBLIC STATEMENT WOULD NOT INCLUDE LAST POINT OF ROK RECONSIDERING RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL (POINT E). THIS WOULD BE TOTALLY UNHELPFUL. ROK, HOWEVER, MIGHT WISH TO CONCLUDE ITS STATEMENT BY GIVING ITS SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY TO STABILIZE CEASEFIRE AND TO MOVE TOWARD NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES CONCERNED IN THE MIDDLE EAST UNDER APPROPRIATE AUSPICES (WHICH WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH LANGUAGE OF UNSC RESOLUTION 338).

3. RE PARA 7 REFTTEL, WE DO NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE DISCUSSING JAPANESE INTENTIONS NOR ENCOURAGE JAPANESE/KOREAN CONSULTATIONS ON THIS ISSUE. WHATEVER JAPANESE MAY DECIDE TO DO, WE HOPE ROKG CAN BE ENCOURAGED TO ACT ON BASIS OF ABOVE SUGGESTIONS. FYI: DESPITE OUR EFFORTS DISSUADE JAPANESE FROM MAKING STATEMENT OF KIND SAUDIS ARE SEEKING, JAPANESE HAVE INFORMED US IN STRICT CONFIDENCE THAT ON NOV 22 THEY WILL ISSUE
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STATEMENT WHICH WILL CALL FOR TOTAL WITHDRAWAL ISRAELI FORCES FROM TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN 1967 WAR AND STATE THAT GOJ WILL CONTINUE TO OBSERVE SITUATION IN ME WITH GRAVE CONCERN AND, DEPENDING ON FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS, IT MAY RECONSIDER ITS POSITION WITH ISRAEL. END FYI. KISSINGER

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